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Dear Mr. Bilott:

Thank you for your November 9, 2015 letter requesting that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency provide you with an update on EPA's draft perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) health effects document, which addresses long-term PFOA exposure. EPA released the draft PFOA health effects document in February 2014 for purposes of public comment (scientific views) and peer review.

Please be advised that the timeline for developing a lifetime health advisory level for PFOA has changed slightly since EPA Regions 3 and 5's combined response to you dated February 23, 2015. The EPA Office of Water now expects to complete its efforts to develop a revised Health Advisory for both PFOA by early 2016.

Once a final risk assessment is completed, or if further information about the health effects of PFOA indicates that it is necessary, EPA may re-evaluate the PFOA action level established in the March 9, 2010, Safe Drinking Water Act Order on Consent between EPA and DuPont.

Thank you for your continued interest in these matters. If you have further questions, please contact Lori Kier, Esq., Senior Assistant Regional Counsel, of Region 3 at 215-814 2656, or Jacqueline Clark, Esq., Associate Regional Counsel, in Region 5, at 312-353-4191.

Sincerely,

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